

a long, grassroots effort into reality with their generous support of the Historical Society of Palm Beach County. These efforts led to the Richard and Pat Johnson Palm Beach County History Museum, which found its home in the now-restored 1916 courthouse, where Richard's father worked so many years ago.

Since its opening, the Historical Society has engaged over 420,000 Palm Beach County school children by funding education programs, as well as providing transportation for guided tours of the museum. The Johnsons' leadership has allowed the historical society to better fulfill its mission "to collect, preserve, and share the rich history and cultural heritage of Palm Beach County."

Richard and Pat Johnson serve as role models through their hard work, dedication, and selflessness, not only to their five children, but also to the people of their community and State. I am honored to represent the Johnson family in the U.S. Senate, and to recognize their lives of public service.●

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries.

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry treaties which were referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

#### MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

##### ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 4:34 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. HARRIS) has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 1632. An act to require a regional strategy to address the threat posed by Boko Haram.

S. 2974. An act to ensure funding for the National Human Trafficking Hotline, and for other purposes.

S. 3028. An act to redesignate the Olympic Wilderness as the Daniel J. Evans Wilderness.

S. 3183. An act to prohibit the circumvention of control measures used by Internet ticket sellers to ensure equitable consumer access to tickets for any given event, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. HATCH).

##### ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 11:39 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks,

announced that the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. HARRIS) has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 2028. An act making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. HATCH).

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-7872. A communication from the Administrator of the Specialty Crops Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Irish Potatoes Grown in Colorado; Modification of the Handling Regulation for Area No. 2" (Docket No. AMS-SC-16-0042) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7873. A communication from the Administrator of the Specialty Crops Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Olives Grown in California; Suspension and Revision of Incoming Size-Grade Requirements" (Docket No. AMS-SC-16-0031) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7874. A communication from the Administrator of the Specialty Crops Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Raisins Produced From Grapes Grown in California and Imported Raisins; Removal of Language" (Docket No. AMS-SC-16-0065) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7875. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Dicamba; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9954-37) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7876. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Anthony G. Crutchfield, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7877. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Security Education Program (NSEP) and NSEP Service Agreement" (RIN0790-AJ01) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7878. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export to the People's Republic of China of items not detrimental to the U.S. space launch industry; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7879. A communication from the Program Specialist of the Legislative and Regu-

latory Activities Division, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Appraisals for Higher-Priced Mortgage Loans Exemption Threshold" (RIN1557-AD99) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7880. A communication from the Senior Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Departmental Offices, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Terrorism Risk Insurance Program; Adjustment to Civil Penalty Amount Under the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002" (31 CFR Part 50) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7881. A communication from the Senior Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Departmental Offices, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Terrorism Risk Insurance Program; Certification" (RIN1505-AC53) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7882. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Temporary Exports to Mexico under License Exception TMP" (RIN0694-AG97) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7883. A communication from the Director, Office of Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report on Modernization and Simplification of Regulation S-K"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7884. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to the Export Administration Regulations: Removal of Semiconductor Manufacturing International Corporation from the List of Validated End-Users in the People's Republic of China" (RIN0694-AH16) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7885. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to the Export Administration Regulations: Removal of Special Iraq Reconstruction License" (RIN0694-AG89) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7886. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the continuation of the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13396 on February 7, 2006, with respect to Cote d'Ivoire; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7887. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export to the People's Republic of China of items not detrimental to the U.S. space launch industry; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7888. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and

Regulations, Office of the Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Changes to HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program Commitment Requirement” (RIN2501-AD69) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7889. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “2016 Economic Dispatch and Technological Change”; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7890. A communication from the Deputy Director for Operations, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the detailed boundaries, classification descriptions, and maps for the Snake River Headwaters, in Wyoming; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-7891. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Air Plan Approval/Disapproval; MS; Infrastructure Requirements for the 2012 PM<sub>2.5</sub> National Ambient Air Quality Standards” (FRL No. 9956-35-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7892. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Air Quality Designations for the 2010 Sulfur Dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>) Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standards—Supplement to Round 2 for Four Areas in Texas: Firestone and Anderson Counties, Milam County, Rusk, and Panola Counties, and Titus County” (FRL No. 9956-10-OAR) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7893. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Oklahoma; Infrastructure for the Lead, Ozone, Nitrogen Dioxide and Sulfur Dioxide National Ambient Air Quality Standards” (FRL No. 9955-28-Region 6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7894. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; Removal of Stage II Gasoline Vapor Recovery Requirements for Gasoline Dispensing Facilities; Withdrawal of Direct Final Rule” (FRL No. 9956-26-Region 3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7895. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Texas; Reasonable Further Progress Plan and Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets for the Dallas/Fort Worth 2008 Ozone Nonattainment Area” (FRL No. 9955-52-Region 6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7896. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Determination of Attainment of the 2012 Annual Fine Particulate Matter Standard; Pennsylvania; Delaware County Non-attainment Area” (FRL No. 9956-41-Region 3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7897. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Effluent Limitations Guidelines and Standards for the Oil and Gas Extraction Point Source Category—Implementation Date Extension” (FRL No. 9956-05-OW) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7898. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of New Reactors, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Site Characteristics and Site Parameters” (NUREG-0800) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7899. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of New Reactors, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Physical Security—Early Site Permit and Reactor Siting Criteria” (NUREG-0800) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7900. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of New Reactors, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fitness for Duty—Introduction” (NUREG-0800) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7901. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of New Reactors, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Access Authorization Operational Program” (NUREG-0800) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7902. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Savannah Harbor Expansion Project, Savannah, Georgia; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7903. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Import Restrictions Imposed on Certain Archaeological Material from Egypt” (RIN1515-AE19) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 2, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7904. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Extension of Import Restrictions Imposed on Certain Archaeological and Ethnological Materials from the Plurinational State of Bolivia” (RIN1515-AE20) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 2, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7905. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Income and Currency Gain or Loss with Respect to a Section 987 QBU” (RIN1545-AM12) (TD 9794) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7906. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Recognition and Deferral of Section 987 Gain or Loss” (RIN1545-BL12) (TD 9795) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7907. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Office of Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Medicare and State Health Care Programs: Fraud and Abuse; Revisions to the Safe Harbors Under the Anti-Kickback Statute and Civil Monetary Penalty Rules Regarding Beneficiary” (RIN0936-AA06) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7908. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “December 2016 Supplement to Rev. Proc. 2014-64, Implementation of Nonresident Alien Deposit Interest Regulations” (Rev. Proc. 2016-56) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7909. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Covered Asset Acquisitions” (RIN1545-BM75) (TD 9800) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7910. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Tax Return Preparer Due Diligence Penalty under Section 6695(g)” (RIN1545-BN61) (TD 9799) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7911. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Consistent Basis Reporting Between Estate and Person Acquiring Property From Decedent” (RIN1545-BM98) (TD 9797) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7912. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Unpaid Losses Discount Factors and Payment Patterns for 2016” (Rev. Proc. 2016-58) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7913. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Salvage Discount Factors and Payment Patterns for 2014” (Rev. Proc. 2016-59) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7914. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "User Fees for Installment Agreements" (RIN1545-BN37) (TD 9798)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7915. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Publication of the Tier 2 Tax Rates" received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7916. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2016 Guidance with Respect to the Tax Credit for Employee Health Insurance Expenses of Certain Small Employers" (Notice 2016-75) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7917. A communication from the Senior Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Departmental Offices, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Department of the Treasury Acquisition Regulations; Incremental Funding of Fixed-Price, Time-and-Material or Labor-Hour Contracts During a Continuing Resolution" (48 CFR Part 1032 and 48 CFR Part 1052) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7918. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Electronic Notice of Liquidation" (RIN1515-AE16) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 9, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7919. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the Child Support Program for fiscal year 2015; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7920. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Office of Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare and State Health Care Programs: Fraud and Abuse; Revisions to the Office of Inspector General's Civil Monetary Penalty Rules" (RIN0936-AA04) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7921. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 16-098); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7922. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 16-110); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7923. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 16-112); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7924. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the

Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 16-069); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7925. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 16-095); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7926. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 16-039); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7927. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Head Start Program" (RIN0970-AC63) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 6, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7928. A communication from the Director, Civil Rights Center, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of the Nondiscrimination and Equal Opportunity Provisions of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act" (RIN1291-AA36) received in the office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7929. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's fiscal years 2011-2014 Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Reports to Congress and the LIHEAP Home Energy Notebooks for fiscal years 2011-2014; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7930. A communication from the Chairman, U.S. Election Assistance Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7931. A communication from the Director, Congressional Affairs, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7932. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Labor's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7933. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Department of Labor's 2014 and 2015 FAIR Act Inventory of Inherently Governmental Activities and Inventory of Commercial Activities; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7934. A communication from the Chief Financial Officer, National Labor Relations Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Performance and Accountability Report for Fiscal Year 2016"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7935. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, notification of the implementation of an alternative pay plan for locality

pay increases for civilian Federal employees covered by the General Schedule and certain other pay systems in January 2017; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7936. A communication from the Director, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Executive Branch; Amendment to the Standards Governing Solicitation and Acceptance of Gifts from Outside Sources" (RIN3209-AA04) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7937. A communication from the Special Counsel, United States Office of the Special Counsel, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of the Special Counsel's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7938. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Semiannual Report to Congress on Audit Follow-up for the period of April 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7939. A communication from the Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's fiscal year 2014 and fiscal year 2015 FAIR Act Commercial and Inherently Governmental Activities Inventory; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7940. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Semiannual Report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7941. A communication from the Chairman, National Endowment for the Humanities, transmitting, pursuant to law, the organization's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7942. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Defense Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7943. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, Regulatory Affairs Law Division, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Petitions for Rulemaking, Amendment, or Repeal" (RIN1601-AA56) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7944. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, Regulatory Affairs Law Division, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Freedom of Information Act Regulations" (RIN1601-AA00) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 5, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7945. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7946. A communication from the Chairman, U.S. Election Assistance Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Semiannual Report of the Inspector

General for the period from April 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7947. A communication from the Chairman of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7948. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Addition of the Wind River Indian Reservation to the List of Courts of Indian Offenses" (RIN1076-AF33) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-7949. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Indian Child Welfare Act Proceedings" (RIN1076-AF25) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-7950. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tribal Transportation Program" (RIN1076-AF19) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-7951. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to thirteen legislative recommendations; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-7952. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Shrimp Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Amendment 17A" (RIN0648-BF77) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7953. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Exchange of Flatfish in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XE969) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7954. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XF036) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7955. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Reallocation of Pacific Cod in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Manage-

ment Area" (RIN0648-XF032) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7956. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "International Fisheries; Pacific Tuna Fisheries; 2016 Bigeye Tuna Longline Fishery Reopening in the Eastern Pacific Ocean" (RIN0648-XE902) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7957. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Sablefish in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XE967) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7958. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Reallocation of Atka Mackerel in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XE932) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7959. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and Atlantic Region; 2016-2017 Commercial Accountability Measures and Closure for King Mackerel in the Florida West Coast Northern Subzone" (RIN0648-XF017) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7960. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Georges Bank Cod Trimester Total Allowable Catch Area Closure and Possession and Trip Limit Reductions for the Common Pool Fishery" (RIN0648-XF002) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7961. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Several Groundfish Species in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XF064) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7962. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pacific Island Pelagic Fisheries; 2016 Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Bigeye Tuna Fishery; Closure" (RIN0648-XE284) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7963. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursu-

ant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Bluefish Fishery; Quota Transfers" (RIN0648-XF049) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7964. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Pago Pago Harbor, American Samoa" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0749)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7965. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Upper Mississippi River, St. Louis, MO" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-1020)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7966. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zones; Delaware River; Marcus Hook, PA" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-1034)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7967. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Shipping; Technical, Organizational, and Conforming Amendments" (Docket No. USCG-2016-0315) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7968. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Discharge Removal Equipment for Vessels Carrying Oil" ((RIN1625-AA02) (Docket No. USCG-2011-0430)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7969. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cargo Securing Manuals" ((RIN1625-AA25) (Docket No. USCG-2000-7080)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7970. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Harmonization of Standards for Fire Protection, Detection, and Extinguishing Equipment" ((RIN1625-AB59) (Docket No. USCG-2012-0196)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7971. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Great Lakes Pilotage Rates - 2016 Annual Review and Changes to Methodology" ((RIN1625-AC22) (Docket No. USCG-2015-0497)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7972. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Requirements for Vessels with Registry Endorsements or Foreign-Flagged Vessels that Perform Certain Aquaculture Support Operations" (RIN1625-AC23) (Docket No. USCG-2015-0086) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7973. A communication from the Senior Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Financial Stability Oversight Council, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Freedom of Information Act Regulations" (12 CFR Part 1301) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 8, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7974. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustments" (RIN1076-AF32) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-7975. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Leasing of Osage Reservation Lands for Oil and Gas Mining" (RIN1076-AF17) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 7, 2016; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER MIDNIGHT ON DECEMBER 10, 2016

EC-7976. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the designation as an emergency requirement all funding so designated by the Congress in the Further Continuing and Security Assistance Appropriations Act, 2017, pursuant to section 251 (b) (2) (A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended, for the enclosed list of accounts; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-7977. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the designation for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism all funding including contributions from foreign governments so designated by the Congress in the Further Continuing and Security Assistance Appropriations Act, 2017, pursuant to section 251 (b) (2) (A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended, for the enclosed list of accounts; to the Committee on the Budget.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. GRASSLEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary:

Report to accompany S. 2614, a bill to amend the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, to reauthorize the Missing Alzheimer's Disease Patient Alert Program, and to promote initiatives that will reduce the risk of injury and death relating to the wandering characteristics of some children with autism (Rept. No. 114-397).

By Mr. THUNE, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:

Report to accompany S. 1403, a bill to amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to promote sustainable conservation and management for the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic fisheries and the communities that rely on them, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-398).

By Mr. THUNE, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 3038. A bill to reauthorize the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-399).

By Mr. THUNE, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:

Report to accompany S. 1685, a bill to direct the Federal Communications Commission to extend to private land use restrictions its rule relating to reasonable accommodation of amateur service communications (Rept. No. 114-400).

Report to accompany S. 2283, a bill to ensure that small business providers of broadband Internet access service can devote resources to broadband deployment rather than compliance with cumbersome regulatory requirements (Rept. No. 114-401).

Report to accompany S. 2829, a bill to amend and enhance certain maritime programs of the Department of Transportation, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-402).

By Mr. ROBERTS, from the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:

Report to accompany S. 2609. An original bill to amend the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 to require the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a national voluntary labeling standard for bioengineered foods, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-403).

By Mr. BARRASSO, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 2920. A bill to amend the Tribal Law and Order Act of 2010 and the Indian Law Enforcement Reform Act to provide for advancements in public safety services to Indian communities, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-404).

By Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 236. A bill to amend the Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010 to create an expedited procedure to enact recommendations of the Government Accountability Office for consolidation and elimination to reduce duplication.

By Mr. ISAKSON, from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 290. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the accountability of employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

By Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1378. A bill to strengthen employee cost savings suggestions programs within the Federal Government.

S. 1607. A bill to affirm the authority of the President to require independent regulatory agencies to comply with regulatory analysis requirements applicable to executive agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 2834. A bill to improve the Government-wide management of unnecessarily duplicative Government programs and for other purposes.

S. 2972. A bill to amend title 31, United States Code, to provide transparency and require certain standards in the award of Federal grants, and for other purposes.

By Mr. COCHRAN, from the Committee on Appropriations:

Special Report entitled "Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 2017" (Rept. No. 114-405).

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 3537. A bill to authorize the Department of Housing and Urban Development to transform neighborhoods of extreme poverty into sustainable, mixed-income neighborhoods with access to economic opportunities, by revitalizing severely distressed housing, and investing and leveraging investments in well-functioning services, educational opportunities, public assets, public transportation, and improved access to jobs; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 3538. A bill to improve enforcement against trafficking in cultural property and prevent stolen or illicit cultural property from financing terrorist and criminal networks, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DAINES (for himself, Mr. PERDUE, and Mr. LEE):

S. 3539. A bill to amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to provide that any estimate prepared by the Congressional Budget Office or the Joint Committee on Taxation shall include costs relating to servicing the public debt; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Mr. PERDUE (for himself and Mr. PETERS):

S. 3540. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program to provide access to magnetic EEG/EKG-guided resonance therapy to veterans; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. HATCH:

S. 3541. A bill to require States and units of local government receiving funds under grant programs operated by the Department of Justice that use such funds for pretrial services programs to submit to the Attorney General a report relating to such programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FLAKE, and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. 3542. A bill to provide provisional protected presence to qualified individuals who came to the United States as children; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. COONS, Mr. DURBIN, and Mrs. SHAHEEN):

S. 3543. A bill to contain, reverse, and deter Russian aggression in Ukraine, to assist Ukraine's democratic transition, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. DAINES:

S. 3544. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to ensure that certain firefighters retain retirement benefits while injured or disabled, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. SULLIVAN:

S. 3545. A bill to protect Federal, State, and local public safety officers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FLAKE:

S. 3546. A bill to provide provisional protected presence to qualified individuals who